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IRISH REPUBLIC: NO CHANGE

MR. DE VALERA'S REPLY TO MR. DILLON

Mr. de Valera

Mr. J. M. Dillon

"WE ARE AN INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC, ASSOCIATED AS A MATTER OF OUR EXTERNAL POLICY WITH THE STATES OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH.

"THE STATE IS WHAT IT IS, NOT WHAT I THINK OR SAY IT IS."

Thus Mr. de Valera, in the Dail last night, defined Eire's international position. He was speaking on the estimate for the Department of External Affairs, his own Department, and was replying to the question asked by Mr. Dillon last week whether "we are or are not a republic."

Mr. de Valera quoted relevant sections of the Constitution and dictionary and encyclopædia definitions of the word "republic," and said:

"IF ANYONE STILL PERSISTS IN MAINTAINING THAT OUR STATE IS NOT A REPUBLIC I CANNOT ARGUE WITH HIM, FOR WE HAVE NO COMMON LANGUAGE: THERE IS NO COMMON SET OF WORDS AND IDEAS BETWEEN US."

He added that the fundamental law did not show that we had a Monarch in our State, and said that the External Relations Act of 1936, which sets out the functions of the King in the appointment of Eire's representatives abroad, was no basis for arguing that Eire was a monarchy. It was not a fundamental law, but was repealable by the legislature.

Mr. de Valera ended by saying that he left Deputy Dillon "to answer his own question from the facts which I have presented."

Mr. de Valera said: "Last week Deputy Dillon wanted to know if we were a Republic, and pretended that I was the only person who knew the answer. He asked in fact two questions, one of which was easy to answer, the other not so easy. He asked was this State a Republic and were we a member State of the British Commonwealth. When I told him that we were a Republic his surprise was, as a friend remarked, like that of Molière's "Bourgeois Gentilhomme" when he learned that he had been speaking prose all his life. Of course, the pretence that I alone could answer is plainly *ridiculis*. The State is what it is, not what I say or think it is. How a particular State is to be classified politically is a matter not to be settled by the *ipse dixit* of any person, but by observation of the State's institutions and an examination of its fundamental laws.

Our one fundamental law is the Constitution. A written Constitution, it was submitted to and enacted by the people in a plebiscite taken on adult suffrage on July 1st, 1937. It came into operation on the 29th December, 1937. The first President, Dr. Hyde, entered upon office on the 25th June, 1938, and the organs of State provided for by the Constitution were all fully functioning from that date. A period of three years was allowed, during which, with the President's consent, amendments to the Constitution might be made by the Legislature simply. That period has long since expired, and no change in the Constitution can now be made except by a vote of the people in a referendum.

PROVISIONS

Let us glance for a moment at some of the provisions of that fundamental law, so that we may realise its character and the character of our State.

Article 5 declares the State to be "sovereign," "independent" and "democratic."

Article 6.1 declares that "all powers of Government, legislative, executive and judicial, derive under God, from the people, whose right it is to designate the rulers of the State and, in final appeal, to decide all questions of national policy, according to the requirements of the common good."

Article 6.2 declares that "these powers of government are exercisable only by or on the authority of the organs of State established by this Constitution."

Article 12 provides for a President to be elected by direct vote of the people for a period of seven years, "who shall take precedence over all other persons in the State, and who shall exercise and perform the powers and functions conferred on the President by this Constitution and by law."

Article 15 states that the National Parliament shall consist of the President and two Houses—the house of representatives, Dail Eireann, and a second, Seanad Eireann—constituting, all three together, the Oireachtas, in which is vested "the sole and exclusive power of making laws for the State."

Article 28 provides that "The executive power of the State shall subject to the provisions of this Constitution, be exercised by, or on the authority of, the Government."

The State whose institutions correspond to these articles is it seems to me, demonstrably a Republic. Look up any standard text on political theory; look up any standard book of reference and get from any of them any definition of a Republic or any description of what a Republic is, and judge whether our State does not possess every characteristic mark by which a Republic can be distinguished or recognised. We are a democracy with the ultimate sovereign power residing with the people—a representative democracy with the various organs of State functioning under a written Constitution, with the executive authority controlled by Parliament with an independent judiciary functioning under the Constitution and the law, and with a Head of State directly elected by the people for a definite term of office.

DEFINITIONS

To save members of the Dail the trouble of looking up the references I have collected a few. I give first the definition of "republic" in the *Encyclopedia Britannica* (14th Edition).

"REPUBLIC. A State in which the supreme power rests in the people, or in officers elected by them, to whom the people have delegated power sufficient to enable them to perform the duties required of them. In the small republics of antiquity the people usually expressed their preferences directly, but in the larger republics of modern times representatives are elected to sit in law-making bodies. The head of the State is usually elected directly, and in modern usage this fact distinguishes a republic from a monarchy in which the head is hereditary. . . ."

The *Encyclopedia Americana* says:

"REPUBLIC, a word signifying a State in which the people are the source of power."

I give next a similar passage from the *Shorter Oxford English* Dictionary (Second Edition)

"REPUBLIC: A State in which the supreme power rests in the people and their elected representatives or officers, as opposed to one governed by a king or the likes; a commonwealth."

Here is what *Webster's International Dictionary* says:—

"REPUBLIC: A State in which the sovereign power resides in the whole body of the people, and is exercised by representatives elected by them; a commonwealth. . . ."

The following is from the *New Standard Dictionary of the English Language*:—

"REPUBLIC: A State in which the sovereignty resides in the people and the administration is lodged in officers elected by and representing the people; a representative democracy. . . ." Republics had their origin in opposition to hereditary monarchy, as in Greece, Rome and America, and their essential features have been the control of the executive by election and by laws proceeding from assemblies of enfranchised classes . . . Nearly all modern republics have a written constitution, practice manhood suffrage, vest sovereignty in the voters, choose the executive indirectly, as by some form of electoral college, or by the legislature, as in France or Switzerland, and entrust legislation to two co-ordinate chambers or houses, while the judiciary forms a co-ordinate branch of government, invested with power to pronounce on the constitutionality of laws and of executive acts . . ."

Chambers Dictionary has the following:—

"REPUBLIC is a form of government without a monarch in which the supreme power is vested in representatives elected by the people."

Dictionaries and encyclopedia in other languages give definitions and descriptions in no wise essentially differing from these.

If anyone still persists in maintaining that our State is not a Republic I cannot argue with him, for we have no common language. There is no common set of words and ideas between us.

MONARCHY

A Republic is sometimes defined as a democratic contrast to a monarchy. Is it suggested that we have a hereditary ruler or monarch in our State? It would, indeed, be strange if we were a monarchy and our fundamental law did not show the monarch as an integral part of either our legislative, our executive or our judicial authority. This is where the monarch functions in all monarchial states.

Is it argued that because we have the External Relations Act of 1936 our State is a monarchy? I do not think any constitutional lawyer of repute would attempt to maintain such a thesis. By this Act so long as we are associated with the following nations—that is to say, Australia, Canada, Great Britain, New Zealand and South Africa, and so long as the king recognised by those nations as the symbol of their co-operation continues to act on behalf of each of those nations (on the advice of the several Governments thereof) for the purposes of the appointment of diplomatic and consular representatives and the conclusion of international agreements, the king so recognised is permitted and authorised to act on our behalf for like purposes as and when advised by the Government.

CONSTITUTION

This External Relations Act is a simple statute repealable by the legislature and not a fundamental law. As a law it is, in fact, null and void to any extent whatever in which it conflicts with our only fundamental law, the Constitution. It is a simple enabling Act to permit of the carrying out of the external policy of the State in the field of international relations, as indicated and provided for in Article 29.4 of the Constitution, and nothing more. This may be regarded as an unique arrangement. I am not disposed to question a statute of this sort. The situation which it was designed to fit, and for a number of years has effectively fitted, was likewise unique. The position, as I conceive it to be, is this: We are an independent Republic associated in a matter of our external policy with the States of the British Commonwealth. To mark this association, we avail ourselves of the procedure of the External Relations Act just quoted, by which the King recognised by the States of the British Commonwealth therein named acts for us, under advice, in certain specified matters in the field of our external relations.

COMMONWEALTH

And now Deputy Dillon's second question: Are we or are we not a member of the British Commonwealth?

That is a question for which the material is necessary for a conclusive answer is not fully available. It depends on what is the essential element in the Constitution of the British Commonwealth.

The British Commonwealth claims to be an elastic, growing, developing organism, and the Statesmen of the Commonwealth have, I think, adopted the view of Joseph de Maistre that: "In all political systems there are relationships which it is wiser to leave undefined." I can only say that, without any request or reference or suggestion from us on the day on which our Constitution came into operation, 29th December, 1937, the following communication from issued from 10 Downing street, and published in the Press on the following day:

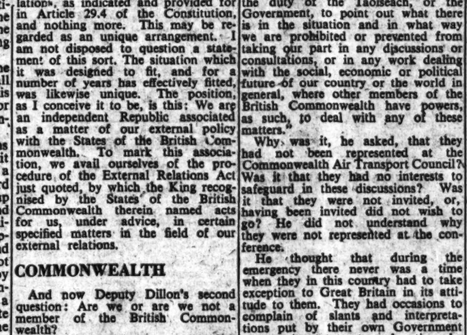
"His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have considered the position created by the new Constitution which was approved by the Parliament of the Irish Free State in June, 1937, and came into force on December 29.

They are prepared to treat the new Constitution as not affecting a fundamental alteration in the position of the Irish Free State—in future to be described under the new Constitution as 'Eire' or 'Ireland'—as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

"His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have ascertained that His Majesty's Government in Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand and the Union of South Africa are also prepared so to treat the new Constitution."

The Government here did not feel called upon to make any comment. The provisions of our Constitution were publicly known for many weeks, our attitude towards the question of allegiance and related matters was known for years. We could only accept the British Government statement as the expression of a view taken by them in full knowledge of our position here at the time and there has been as every one is aware, no constitutional or other change which would alter the situation since then.

I fear, a Chinn Comhairle, that I have no further useful information which I can give Deputy Dillon. I must now leave him to answer his own question from the facts which I have presented.



M. Maurice Goor (left), who has retired from the position of Belgian Minister to Eire, receiving a silver tray from M. Joseph Moorkens, on behalf of members of the Belgian Colony, at a reception in Jury's Hotel, Dublin, yesterday. The tray is inscribed with the names of members of the Colony.

Hitler and Eva Braun Are Reported in Argentina

"I AM virtually certain that Hitler and his wife, Eva Braun, the latter dressed in masculine clothes, landed in Argentina and are on an immense German-owned estate in Patagonia," states a despatch from a Monte Video correspondent of the "Chicago Times."

The despatch continues:—"The pair are reported to have been landed on a lonely shore from a German submarine, which is supposed to have surrendered to the Allies.

"Certainly, there are enough Nazi sympathisers in Argentina, who would jump at the chance to give haven to the living symbol of National Socialism.

ANTARCTIC THEORY

Another report concerning the whereabouts of Hitler and Eva Braun is published by the Buenos Aires newspaper, *Critica*, which puts forward the theory that the pair may have landed in the Antarctic from the U-boat 530 before it surrendered to the Argentine authorities.

The *Critica* names the probable place of disembarkation as "Queen Maud Land," where "a new Berchtesgaden is likely to have been built during a German Antarctic expedition in 1938-39.

The U-boat, it adds, probably formed part of a convoy of submarines which sailed from Germany to the Antarctic.

The Buenos Aires newspaper, *La Razon*, asks why the U-boat's heavy armament and torpedoes were jettisoned and whether it touched the Argentine coast, before surrendering at Mar del Plata, when persons might have landed.

It also asks why it did not surrender when Admiral Doenitz issued his orders.

All the Argentine newspapers, eight days after the surrender of the U-boat, are still wondering why the mystery has not been solved.

New York Radio yesterday quoted the *Critica* as saying that the Argentine Federal Police had been informed by the local police that 12 persons had landed from a rubber dinghy near a place called San-Cudiate.

No official confirmation has so far been issued, however, on reports that the German submarine had put in at a point on the Argentine coast.

New York Radio added that reliable sources in Buenos Aires report that the crew of the U-boat 530 were taken by night to the prison fortress on Martin Garcia Island.

Great Britain's Attitude During The Emergency

General MULCAHY (F.G.), who spoke after Mr. de Valera, said:—"I give a ready affirmative that this country is a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations without any equivocation of any kind. If I am wrong in that, then I think it is the duty of the Taoiseach, or the Government, to point out what there is in the situation and in what way we are prohibited or prevented from taking our part in any discussions or consultations, or in any work dealing with the social, economic or political future of our country or the world in general, where other members of the British Commonwealth have powers, as such, to deal with any of these matters."

Why, was it, he asked, that they had not been represented at the Commonwealth Air Transport Council? Was it that they had no interests to safeguard in these discussions? Was it that they were not invited, or, having been invited did not wish to go? He did not understand why they were not represented at the conference.

He thought that during the emergency there never was a time when they in this country had to take exception to Great Britain in its attitude to them. They had occasions to complain of slants and interpretations put by their own Government on certain statements and actions by the British during the war. They might be very well grateful for what had been achieved by Great Britain in this war. "It is all the more regrettable that the Prime Minister should either say or appear to wish anything that would prevent us in appreciating the way we have been helped to be saved in this war by the strength, military and diplomatic, of Great Britain."

He had hope that it would be in a different strain that the British Prime Minister would speak at the end of this war in Europe. He thought he might have been able to address his Parliament and say then that they had not won through alone; but that they had been assisted by the seeds sown throughout their world by Englishmen, Scotsmen, Welshmen and Irishmen, by Australians, South Africans, by Canada and the United States.

NORTH AND SOUTH

"I properly might have thought that he was going to say that, in so far as any weakness here, politically, socially or economically, was brought about because of causes arising from the action of Englishmen, Scotsmen and Welshmen, he was going to ask representatives of the Government of Northern Ireland and representatives of the Government here to sit down with him and look at the realities of the world to-day, and help to see what is in front of us, and to see what there is between our people in the North and us people in the South that is standing between us and political unity. I think that he might have done that, and I still think that some British Prime Minister will, but unless we can here, between ourselves and our people in the North of Ireland, settle such political and economic difficulties, we can throw our hats at being any influence in settling the bigger and more important difficulties in the world to-day."

He would like information as to when and where representatives of their Government were going to sit down in conference with representatives of the other members of the British Commonwealth of Nations; what they were going to do to get into the bigger and broader conference that was developing the world and trying to make it better.

Port Board's £2,000 Post

The Dublin Port and Docks Board is advertising for a manager for the Port of Dublin. The decision to appoint a manager was taken by the Board some months ago; after discussion at meetings. The applicants must be 30 to 45 years of age, but older men will be considered. The salary rises from £2,000 a year by yearly increments of £100 to £2,500.

THREE DUBLIN MEN DROWNED

THE little fishing village of Clogherhead, Co. Louth, was the scene of a disaster yesterday when three young Dublin men, who put out to sea in a canvas boat against the advice of the local fishermen, were drowned.

They were: Peter Purfield, 4 Berkeley street; Joseph O'Gorman, 216 Clonard road, Crumlin, and Matthew Porter, 6 Sandford Park, South Circular road. The men arrived in Clogherhead on Saturday and were staying at the An Oige Hostel.

They put out to sea in a boat which they brought from Dublin. Later in the evening when they had disappeared the Clogherhead lifeboat went out, and, after a prolonged search, found the boat with the body of Mr. Purfield entangled in the sail rigging.

At 7.30 p.m. an unidentified body was washed ashore at Dunany Point, and it was removed to the Hostel. The search for a third body is continuing.

Deputies Decide Against Leopold

King Leopold of the Belgians cannot resume his throne until both Chambers of the Belgian Parliament give their consent.

This was the decision reached by the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, when a Government Bill, introduced by Premier Van Acker, that the King may not resume constitutional functions until both houses have declared that he may reign again, was passed by ninety-eight votes to six, with thirty-two abstentions. Approximately half the Catholic deputies walked out of the Chamber before the vote was taken.

Earlier yesterday six Catholic Ministers in the Coalition Government resigned, after eight hours of Cabinet meetings and Ministerial discussions.

They were stated by the Belgian Minister of Information, M. Edouard Ronsse, to have resigned on account of differences on the debate in Parliament, which opened yesterday afternoon. "The Parliamentary Right has unanimously approved the action of the Catholic Ministers," added M. Ronsse.

According to Reuter, the Catholic Ministers have been the only consistent supporters of King Leopold throughout the crisis.

Franco Wants Monarchy Restored

General Franco yesterday came out in strong support of an early restoration of the Spanish monarchy, states Reuter. In a broadcast speech made at a meeting of the Falange Council in Madrid, he said that a traditional monarchy was the only system for Spain.

"In due course I hope the Cortes will examine, and the nation approve, a law for the restoration of the monarchy," he said. "The monarchy would have to be strong and flexible, and would have to guarantee the spirit of the Falangist movement and of social progress."

Big Three May Receive Japanese Peace Offer

THE Three-Power Conference was opened in Potsdam yesterday evening at 5 o'clock, Moscow radio announced last night. Reports were in circulation regarding developments in the Far East war and that Japan had made a peace offer.

President Truman was invited by Mr. Churchill and Marshal Stalin to preside over the meetings of the Conference.

According to the radio statement, a preliminary exchange of views took place concerning questions requiring the decision of the three leaders.

The Conference decided that the Foreign Ministers of the Three Powers will meet regularly for the purpose of carrying out preparatory work.

The first official news of the arrival of Marshal Stalin came yesterday afternoon, when it was stated that the Soviet leader called on President Truman about noon at the house near Potsdam where the President is staying.

The two leaders had a talk lasting one hour, after which they had lunch together. Marshal Stalin was accompanied by M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Commissar.

The luncheon party included Mr. James F. Byrnes, United States Secretary of State. Two interpreters were also in attendance.

PACIFIC WAR

The Press Association Diplomatic Correspondent writes:

"While no guidance is available in London on the progress of discussions the news that the first Conference meeting was between Chiefs of Staff can only mean that the Japanese war situation was examined.

"This suggestion coincides with announcements regarding the visit of Dr. T. V. Soong, the Chinese Prime Minister, to Moscow and his meetings with Marshal Stalin and the British and American Ambassadors. Dr. Soong is returning to Chungking, but he will go back to Moscow after the Potsdam talks.

"It is now said that Japan has made peace overtures through Russia to Britain and the U.S. offering to withdraw from all invaded territories," says the P.A. correspondent. "When I was told of this 'offer' two months ago it was said that America was against acceptance and that Britain was 'considering' it. That report was just as lacking of official confirmation as those in circulation yesterday. But there is no doubt that Potsdam has raised Japanese fears sky high.

"Another interesting point is that the Soviet Press and wireless intermittently renew their violent propaganda campaign against the present regime in Spain. Whether Russia is working towards a 'showdown' with Franco remains to be seen, but it is certain that the Spanish question will come up at Potsdam."

U.S. RUMOURS

Reuter's Special Correspondent, cabling from Washington yesterday, says:—

"Washington to-day hummed with rumours that the Big Three were either considering a Japanese offer of unconditional surrender, or a Russian declaration of war against Japan. The State Department declined to comment on a report that a definition of unconditional surrender for Japan, prepared by the State Department, was in President Truman's hands.

"Russia, one story said, would declare war on Japan at the end of the Conference, and that this would be followed by a Big Five meeting of Mr. Churchill, President Truman, Generalissimo Stalin, General de Gaulle and Dr. T. V. Soong, in either Berlin or Moscow, to prepare the last stage of the world war.

"Another rumour had it that Generalissimo Stalin had the Japanese surrender offer in his pocket already, and would act as intermediary between the Western Allies and Japan. Well-informed circles discounted the suggestion that the now almost certain postponement of President Truman's European tour was connected with any such possible developments.

MR. JAMES DILLON

Eire's Right To Belong To the Commonwealth

MR. JAMES DILLON (Ind.) who spoke in the Dail last night after General Mulcahy, said that if he stopped the humblest citizen of America on Broadway and asked him what was his nation, he would throw out his chest and lift his chin and say "a republic." If he asked the most down-trodden citizen of Holland on the streets of Amsterdam what was his nation, he would say: "A kingdom. Long live the Queen." But in Ireland, the oldest nation of them all, when I asked the Taoiseach: 'What are we?' he says; 'Look up the British Encyclopædia.' I think it is humiliating and degrading, and something from which I recoil that in this country we are obliged to deal in dictionary definitions, and in manifestoes from 10 Downing Street in order to determine for our own people where we stand. The only people in the world who have a right to determine the constitutional status of this country are the Irish people."

What better move had been made in the history of human affairs than the "Commonwealth of Nations that we had helped to create," he asked. We went into the Empire, which largely consisted of a group of small nations, tagging after a mighty Power, and Irish statesmen in the Empire evolved and realised the superb constitutional concept of the British Commonwealth of Nations. Would anyone deny to the memory of Kevin O'Higgins that glorious achievement, or withhold from William Cosgrave his share in that splendid work."

DYNAMIC FORCE

He said he believed that the Commonwealth was a dynamic force. He would say frankly here, as he had said in Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand, that he would not suffer this nation to belong to the Commonwealth after it had frozen into a static force.

"Our right to belong to the Commonwealth of Nations has never been challenged by any member of it. Our neutrality during the recent war was never questioned by any of our fellow-members. We must distinguish between resentment of those who expected us to join, and a denial of our rights. In no quarter is there a denial of our rights. It is the Taoiseach's responsibility to come before the people and the Parliament and tell them not what Mr. Churchill said or Mr. Chamberlain said, but what de Valera said.

"If we want, as a people, to belong to the Commonwealth on our own terms, let us find out from that body if they are prepared to have us on our own terms. If not, let us find out the compromise between our terms and theirs to make our membership consistent with nationhood, and if we find that there was no such basis, then, in God's name, let us get out of the Commonwealth.

BREAKING THE LINK

He was certain that the country could be a member of the Commonwealth and retain the full sovereignty of the Irish people, not only in twenty-six counties, but in thirty-two. He was equally certain that if they made a decision to break the link with the Commonwealth of Nations they would surrender for all time and for all foreseeable time not only the six counties, but one-fifth of their population, who, under existing conditions, did not want to come back to the Irish nation.

He wanted them all—the Orangemen, Protestants and Catholics, the Nationalists and the lunatic fringe of the Orange Lodges and the Black Preceptory, as he wanted Fianna Fail and Fine Gael, the I.R.A., and the lunatic fringe of the would-be assassins in this country. He was proud of Ireland as she was, not as de Valera would like to make her.

Rather than see the country sundered and bleeding to death he would make concessions to the other side—to get back the six counties of Ulster. Ireland was the Nationalists and the one-fifth of their people who repudiated this country. They must not forget that one-fifth.

A WARNING

He warned the House that there were forces abroad in the world which might bring upon the people of the world a disaster such as the German people brought upon themselves unless the continuing co-operation between the United States and the British Commonwealth was secured. When these great peoples stood together no power on earth could overcome their stand for freedom. In that combination Ireland, and only Ireland, could be a bond between these peoples and be the interpreter of these peoples, because Irishmen were scattered all over the U.S.A. and the Commonwealth.

He wanted Mr. de Valera to tell the House if he had received official notification of the death of Herr Hitler. To the best of his knowledge and belief a great many people believed that he was still alive.

A Voice—I hope he is alive.

Did it not, continued Mr. DILLON, savour of grave diplomatic ineptitude to hasten on a task of that kind without waiting for official intimation that never came. The visit of the Taoiseach to the German Minister had caused bitter heart-burning throughout the United States and Great Britain, among their country's friends as well as among their enemies.

"I want to take this occasion to have that call explained. I want no covering up. I want him to stand upon the truth and defend it or apologise for it, whichever is appropriate, but I want no excuses, no explanations. The Taoiseach acted deliberately, and he had the right to act. He was the head of the Government and Minister for External Affairs, and nobody challenges his legitimate legal right to act, but I want to know did he do something that I think was so foolish as to be shameful, and I want to take occasion to say here what I think about it. If he did no more than the diplomatic minimum I think he was unduly precipitate, but I think he was logical. If he did more—and I think he did—I think he could have contented himself with instructing our *Chargé d'Affaires* to call on the new head of the German Reich whenever he should be appointed.

"I know that different members of the Taoiseach's party were Nazis—believed in the Nazi philosophy. I believe a member of his Government believed in it, but I am certain that the Taoiseach never had any sympathy with the tyranny that ground down the German people. I am certain that this Government as a whole held no better brief for Nazism as a system than I did. That is the truth. Those in the Taoiseach's party who believed in it were a microscopic minority, but the Taoiseach should tell us that in doing what he did he discharged only the ordinary duty of diplomatic courtesy."

He waited with interest to hear from the Taoiseach if he held out the hope that our people might yet rise to the glorious destiny Providence had reserved for them, or were they to sink to the obscurity of a truncated nothing in the Western Atlantic?

Mr. Dillon's speech was applauded by members of the Opposition and people present in the public gallery.

"HUMILIATING"

Dr. T. F. O'HIGGINS (F.G.) said he wondered if the Taoiseach's speech was to be taken seriously or to be treated as a joke in rather bad taste? It certainly was humiliating for a member of any Parliament in the world to hear his Prime Minister, when asked what was the constitutional status of his country, reply: "I have only my own opinion of what our constitutional status is, but here is the Encyclopædia Britannica, Webster, the Oxford Dictionary and some other dictionaries," and read out in reply the definition of a Republic given in those books. Was that not, he asked, an entirely reckless and irresponsible position for the head of any State to adopt?

Referring to the Taoiseach's reply to the question concerning Eire's membership of the British Commonwealth of Nations, Dr. O'HIGGINS said:—"Of course it is difficult to answer. It is difficult at any time for a horseman to straddle two horses going in opposite directions." But this debate was not going to end without an answer being given to the question whether this Government, in secret and behind the backs of Parliament and the people, had deliberately decided, or ratrown away, their position within the British Commonwealth of Nations, because it was clear from the document the Taoiseach read that—except by their own volition they had withdrawn—they were still a member.

"Does not the Taoiseach know, if he is a realist, that whatever hope there is of securing the unity of this country it will only be with the aid of other members of the Commonwealth and within the Commonwealth of Nations. And if it were a question of choosing between a united Ireland, a member of that Commonwealth, or a dismembered Ireland calling herself a Republic and living her life as a dismembered little fragment, no real Irishman would have any difficulty in making his choice or arriving at a decision."

Progress was reported and the House rose until 3 p.m. to-day.

Trial of Joyce May Be Postponed

An application will be made at the Old Bailey to-day to have the trial of William Joyce ("Lord Haw Haw"), charged with high treason put back until the autumn sessions, which open on September 11th, says the Press Association.

KING AND QUEEN IN NORTHERN IRELAND

THE KING and Queen, with Princess Elizabeth, arrived in Northern Ireland yesterday.

They left Northolt, Middlesex, at 3.1 p.m. in a Transport Command Dakota, escorted by Mustangs flown by Polish fighters, and Warwick aircraft of the Air-Sea Rescue Service, and arrived at Lough Kesh aerodrome, near Lisburn, at 4.37 p.m.

Hundreds of guests standing in a roped-off arena near the runway cheered and clapped as His Majesty stepped from the plane and was received by the Governor of Northern Ireland. The band of the Air Training Corps., 1136 Belfast Central Squadron, struck up "God Save The King," and the Royal Standard was broken on a flagstaff a short distance away.

There were more cheers when the Queen, dressed in a two-piece dove grey suit, followed the King. Princess Elizabeth, wearing an A.T.S. officer's uniform, was making her first flight.

Accompanying the Royal party in the plane were Countess Spencer, Lady-in-Waiting to the Queen; Sir Eris Mieville, Assistant Private Secretary to the King, and Sir Harold Campbell.

GUARD OF HONOUR

The King inspected a guard of honour of the R.A.F. and a contingent of the W.A.A.F.

Among the distinguished company present were the Prime Minister, Sir Basil Brooke; Mr. J. E. Warnock, K.C., Minister of Home Affairs and Minister in Attendance; the Earl of Kilmorey, the Marquess of Londonderry; Air Commodore R. Churchman, D.F.C., A.O.C., Northern Ireland; Major-General G. C. Butler, G.O.C., Northern Ireland; Rear-Admiral R. H. L. Bevin, flag-officer in charge; Major-General Daret, of the Belgian Army; Lieutenant-Colonel McGinn, of the U.S. Army; Commander Arthur Henderson, Private Secretary to the Governor; Captain C. A. R. Shillington, A.D.C.; Captain H. C. Kelly, A.D.C.; Mr. R. Gramsden, Secretary to the Cabinet, and Colonel Brownlow, High Sheriff of Co. Down.

The Royal party later motored to Government House, Hillsborough.

TO-DAY'S EVENTS

To-day, the programme as originally arranged will be carried out. The King and Queen will arrive at Musgrave Channel, where they were to have disembarked from the cruiser, and will drive to Stormont, where the King will deliver a message to both Houses. Following this, there will be an investiture in the Great Hall. Later, the King and Queen will drive through the streets to the City Hall, where they will have lunch with Sir Crawford McCullough, Lord Mayor. In the afternoon they will visit the Royal Courts of Justice, where they will be received by the Lord Chief Justice, Sir James Andrews, and the party will then motor to the Botanic Gardens and stop at Queen's University, where they will be greeted by the Chancellor, the Marquess of Londonderry.

In the Botanic Gardens the King and Queen and Princess will attend a public garden party for war workers, the first of its kind, at which 5,000 manual war workers will be present from shipping, munitions and aircraft factories all over Northern Ireland.

The Princess will attend an informal reception of women's fighting services later. On Thursday, the Royal visitors will go to Shillington, A.D.C.; Captain H. C. Londonderry.

Great Naval Bombardment Of Japan

THE British battleship, King George V, and lesser units of the British Pacific Fleet joined with the American battleship Iowa and others in a heavy shelling of the Hitachi area of Honshu last night.

Overcast weather prevented aerial observation of the results. The bombardment was aimed at coastal installations.

It was the first time British warships had shelled the Japanese homeland. 1,500 tons of high-explosive shells were hurled in less than an hour on vast industrial plants.

The targets were extensive, particularly in the coastal area of Tokyo, where some of Japan's greatest engineering works for war equipment received a broadside, which sent nearly nine tons of explosives ashore. The operation required great daring, as the entire force had to approach in almost unknown shoreline in darkness, obtaining pin-point bearings from prominent features on the coast.

The night shelling within 80 miles of Tokyo itself followed immediately upon a 1,500-plane attack by the combined Anglo-American carrier forces.

The British forces taking part in yesterday's attack are included, in addition to the King George V, the 23,000-ton carrier Formidable, two cruisers, H.M.S. Newfoundland and H.M.S. Black Prince, and four destroyers. Vice-Admiral Sir Bernard Rawlings was in command of the whole British force fleet with Vice-Admiral Sir Philip Vian directing the carriers.

374 SHIPS SUNK

While the U.S. 3rd Fleet, with powerful British support was still attacking the Tokyo area yesterday, a report from Admiral William F. Halsey, its commander, disclosed that the week-end naval and air strike against Japan was the greatest and most destructive in history.

Admiral Nimitz, Pacific C.-in-C., in a special communiqué based on Admiral Halsey's report, stated that the task force which struck at the northern island of Hokkaido and the mainland of Honshu during Saturday and Sunday sank or damaged 374 ships and small craft totalling approximately 60,000 tons.

Deputy Suspended In the Dail

During last night's debate in the Dail on the Estimate for the Department of External Affairs, Mr. O. FLANAGAN (Ind.) said that the Taoiseach had made a statement that was the worst he had ever heard. Anyone with a drop of Irish blood in his veins, anxiously awaiting for the day to come when they would have a Republic, would leave the House and not return after bearing that hypocritical statement.

"I listened to Deputy Dillon, and while I hold that Deputy Dillon is the greatest hypocrite in this House, I am convinced that if the Taoiseach is the greatest traitor this country has ever had."

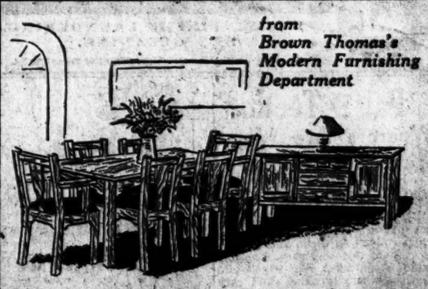
The SPEAKER said personal abuse would not be permitted.

At a later stage Mr. FLANAGAN, who had been told to resume his seat by the Speaker, said: No one outside Grangegorman could believe the Taoiseach when he tells the people that this country is a Republic. What we have is not a Republic, but a King George Republic—or a Royal Republic. I would not be surprised if every Irish patriot who died for Ireland—Wolfe Tone and the men of Easter Week—turned in their graves at the Taoiseach's statement.

The SPEAKER—I must repeat that the deputy must not indulge in personal abuse or irrelevancy. Personal abuse is not argument.

Mr. FLANAGAN said that every reply given to questions by the Taoiseach in that House had been crooked.

The SPEAKER—The deputy will resume his seat or retire from the House for gross disregard of the ruling of the Chair.



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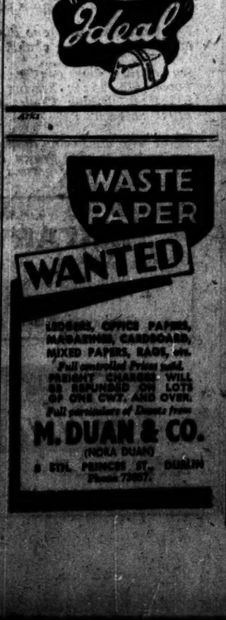

Australia Win By 4 Wickets

ENGLAND found the handicap of losing W. R. Hammond, and the injury to C. Washbrook, too heavy, and the third Victory Test at Lord's was won by Australia, with four wickets to spare. K. R. Miller, who hit a century in the Whitsun Test, saw Australia safely home.

His alone drove Pollard freely; and batting without mistake, he remained unbeaten with 71 to his credit when the last ball sent down by Pollard flew over his head, for the only bye England's deputy captain, Sgt. C. Griffith, conceded during the match.

As the three 18-year-olds, Dewes, White and Carr, scored only 47 runs in both innings, the heavy work imposed on the remaining fit members of the team can be imagined. A. L. Hassett, the Australian captain, obviously appreciated the position when Hutton (49) and Pollard (3) resumed.

He placed his field to cut down Hutton's scoring strokes, and closed in for the other batsmen. This policy of attacking the weaker members paid handsomely. In 70 minutes the six outstanding England wickets went down for 46.

CRISTOFANI THE STAR

The bowling honours belonged to D. R. Cristofani, whose figures during this spell were: 14.3 overs, five maidens, 17 runs, four wickets. Again he varied his pace and flight cleverly, and he produced leg-break and googly sufficiently to beat the bat. Altogether his bag was nine wickets for 92 runs.

Hutton served England splendidly. Altogether he made 173, and in his second knock he withstood the bowling for three and a quarter hours, being seventh out at 150. Apart from Hutton, and Edrich, England's second innings was pathetic.

The pitch was not difficult, and by the time Australia began their task of making 253 for victory it was quite easy-paced. The second ball caused a sensation. Without a run scored, Whittington was completely beaten by Pollard, and Griffith snapped up a smart catch.

Could Pollard upset Australia again? That was the big question, and Workman and Jimmy Sinfield supplied the answer. Without any apparent trouble this pair mastered the England bowling, and their second wicket stand of 82 in 90 minutes turned the scale for Australia.

TWO GREAT CATCHES.

Possibly they experienced a few more anxious moments when Edrich made two great catches at silly mid-off which accounted for Hassett and Carmody, but Cheetham appeared with 32 required, and stayed with Miller to the finish.

The crowd numbered 27,000, of whom 24,107 paid, and altogether about 84,000 people were present during the three days.

Australia now stand one game up in the rubber with two matches left. The next is at Lord's, beginning August Bank Holiday, and the last at Manchester on August 20, 21 and 22.

ENGLAND—First Innings.

L. Hutton c Sinfield b Cristofani	69
J. G. Dewes b Miller	0
W. J. Edrich b Miller	58
S. C. Griffith c Pepper b Cristofani	0
R. Pollard b Miller	0
Hon. L. R. White l.b.w. b Cristofani	4
D. B. Carr c Pepper b Cristofani	0
C. Washbrook not out	13
W. Roberts b Ellis	6
D. V. P. Wright c Hassett b Cristofani	0
W. R. Hammond (absent; ill)	0
Extras (b. 3, n.b. 1)	4
Total	164

Bowling—Miller 3 for 42, Cheetham 0 for 7, Pepper 0 for 22, Williams 0 for 10, Cristofani 9 for 92, Ellis 1 for 29. Whittington 0 for 1. Cheetham bowled one no ball.

Fall of Wickets—1/1, 2/106, 3/107, 4/122, 5/127, 6/129, 7/150, 8/151, 9/164.

AUSTRALIA—Second Innings

R. S. Whittington c. Griffith b. Pollard	0
J. A. Workman b. Wright	30
S. G. Slimey l.b.w. b. Pollard	51
A. L. Hassett c. Edrich b. Wright	24
R. A. Miller not out	71
C. G. Pepper l.b.w. b. Edrich	18
D. K. Carmody c. Edrich b. Roberts	0
A. G. Cheetham not out	32
Extras: b. 1, l.b. 15, n.b. 5	21
Total (six wickets)	253

Bowling—Pollard, 2 for 71; Edrich, 1 for 37; Wright, 2 for 39; Roberts, 1 for 24; Carr, 0 for 13. Pollard bowled four no balls and Wright one no ball.

Fall of wickets—1-0, 2-82, 3-104, 4-151, 5-186, 6-193.

HAROLD'S CROSS DOG RESULTS

525—Speed Inc. (5), 5/2, 1; Disputed Herald (1), 3/1, 2; Ballyfin Laddie (6), 6/4, 3; Desert Dill (4), 7/1, 4; Tawa (3), 4/1, 5; Dilderum (2), 7/1, 6. 14½; 1¼. 30.88.

525—Ballynagget Biddy (5), 5/2, 1; Winson Brigade (3), 4/1, 2; Big Barney King, 3/1, 3; Rathattan Joy (4), 5/1 4; Hullabulloo Guard (1) 7/2, 5; Lady Cardigan (6), 8/1, 6. 31.. 30.88.

525—Gun Music (4), 4/1, 1; Clover Warrior (6), 3/1 2; Tangled Fate (2), 6/4, 3; Castledown Post (3), 5/1, 4; Rathattan Valley (5), 7/1, 5; Green Border (1), 5/1, 6. Short head; head. 30.57.

525—Lisa Lack (5), 1/1, 1; Mallamont Bob (2), 6/1, 2; Tanner Trail (6), 7/2, 3; Dark Shadow (3), 7/2, 4; Spotted Bob (1), 20/1, 5. Neck; 31. 30.14.

525—Ballyfarnon (3), 10/1, 1; Lass of Ballykea (4), 10/1, 2; Lone Invader (1), 5/1, 3; Castledown Coup (2), 4/7, 4; Bawnmore Chance (5), 6/1, 5; Clobanna River (6), 10/1, 6. Head; 5l. 30.31.

525—Inadaisy (4), 2/1, 1; Ida Laddie (1), 5/2, 2; Doon's Rally (2), 6/1, 3; Famous Black Guard (6), 6/1, 4; Hercle Printer (3), 5/1, 5; Holystone Square (5), 3/1, 6. 4l.. 30.44.

525—Gaiten Syle (5), 6/4, 1; Aberla Lass (6), 7/2, 2; Silent Dance (4), 4/1, 3; Walt Nutt (1), 5/1, 4; Kinnitty Rogue (2), 4/1, 5; Pearly Fish (3), 8/1, 6. 2½1.; 6l. 30.89.

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GREYHOUND SALE

The following were the principal transactions at the first of Messrs. Goff's two-day greyhound sales, held at Harold's Cross Park yesterday:—

	Gns.
Miss A. M. O'Brien's bd. d. (Ast., '44) Blackmore Baby (Wonder Kate—Jubilee Greetman) (Mr. B. McAleer)	190
Mr. H. Barry's f. d. (May, '43) Bayview Time (Manhattan Midnight—Silver Row) (Mr. R. O'Connor)	175
Mr. T. Byrne's b. d. (April, '43) Curious Spots (Sprig of Shillelagh—Curious Jessie) (Mr. O. Brown)	170
Mr. J. Mullally's f. d. (Mar., '44) Limerick Robert (Ruby Robert—Beautiful Princess) (Mr. P. J. Byrne)	170

HARROW SCHOOL BOAT RACE

Cambridge Win by Two Lengths

Cambridge won the Harrow School Boat Race on the Thames at Putney yesterday by two lengths. Time, 7 min. 40 secs.

WARREN 3 FOR 18

PLAYING at home on an easy wicket, Phoenix managed to run up a safe 134 runs in a friendly against Merrion yesterday evening. Warren was the most successful Merrion bowler, taking 3 wickets for 18 runs. Score—

PHOENIX

F. M. Quinn b Short	4
K. Quinn c Lindsey b Mara	8
B. V. Fox b Waldron	25
J. C. Boucher c O'Connor b Mara	5
P. J. Quinn c Mara b Short	23
G. T. Quinn c Waldron b Warren	5
J. D. Hogan b Warren	19
K. M. Dolan b Warren	17
J. Kennedy c Burke b Short	17
R. Tyrell b Short	10
M. O'Dwyer not out	0
Extras	1
Total	134

At Mourne Grange. **Mourne Grange** 67 (A. I. Pearson 14, T. M. Tuke 13, P. J. R. Montgomery 12, J. J. Wishere 6 for 11). **Old Bawn** 176 (S. D. McAlister 46, W. D. McKee 34, J. D. Barbour 25, J. F. Fry 25, Pearson 3 for 60).

Mr. Dermot Walsh v. St. Columba's College. To-day (2.30)—L. B. McMahon, W. J. Moynan, M. B. Williams, P. R. Oliver, B. Reilly, J. Smith, G. Smith, E. McElhinney, F. Munden, R. Brown, D. Dexter. Meet D'Olier street (48 bus) 2.0.

St. Columba's College 184 (for 3, dec.) (F. G. Furney 73, not out). **Sir John Madfay's XI.** 58.

EIGHT V.C.s AWARDED TO NEXT-OF-KIN

Relatives of eight dead V.C.s, and of two dead winners of the George Cross, received the decorations from the King, at an investiture at Buckingham Palace yesterday. Next-of-kin of 198 dead heroes were present.

Among the V.C.s was that awarded to Fusilier Dennis Donnini, Royal Scots Fusiliers, whose Italian-born father, wearing black and accompanied by his daughter in A.T.S. uniform, shook hands with the King and received the bronze cross from him.

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For Hurling Final?

By PAT'O

DECISIVE hurling finals in Munster and Leinster last week-end where Tipperary and Kilkenny won, narrows the championship field —Galway and Kilkenny hurlers now meet at Birr (July 29th); Tipperary, the new Munster champions after an eight years' lapse, await with composure the winners of next Sunday's Antrim-Donegal game.

Kilkenny, a lighter side than usual from a county famed for its dandy hurlers, treated spectators at Croke Park last Sunday to some delightful hurling. They are still past masters of the "lift and hit" game. Defying rain and greasy sod, these black-and-amber men swung ash in a minimum of time and space, always beating Dublin to the stroke by that split second so vital in good-class hurling. Langton, O'Brien, Gargan, Reidy, Mulcahy and Walton—in that order are the brainiest lot of adepts scoring mediums I have seen in Croke Park (or elsewhere) this year. They have a stiff proposition against Galway on July 29th at Birr—the Connaught men's best ground. I think Kilkenny's skill will pull them through to the September final.

Antrim hurlers look too nippy for Donegal, but I think Tipperary will win well, whatever emerges in the North.

HAD TO FIGHT HARD

Tipperary had to fight every inch of the road at Thurles. Their front line cannot compare with Kilkenny's, and Limerick had a big opportunity of winning and many thought the Garryowen men unlucky.

Yet there was no mistaking Tipperary's winning urge, even when forces ranged against them. Mutt Ryan was Tipp's match-winner—his ball control and accuracy swung the game in the first quarter.

Limerick made a determined finish, though Galway held a strong head.

The football position is still open—Cork, Kerry and Roscommon the likely winners of Sunday's Connaught final—Galway v. Mayo. The Mayo men are the springiest team of the year—faster, though less staunch, than Galway.

The Leinster final (football) at Portlaoise next Sunday brings two unusual counties together in Wexford and Offaly. The winner ones have fallen, but probably the best have survived.

The winners meet the Ulster champions—Cavan (holders) and Fermanagh, a vastly improved side, play the Northern decider on July 29th.

KILKENNY TENNIS

Kilkenny Junior Tennis Tournament results:—

Junior under 18—I. Belford, bye: J. Rice beat J. Manning, 6-0, 6-0: A. Bassett beat R. Molloy, 6-1, 6-2. Girls under 18—Dilly Belford beat H. Hayes, 6-0, 6-1: Miss Keyes w.o.: R. Malcomson beat M. Aylward, 1-6, 6-3, 6-1: M. Meenan beat B. Knox, 6-0, 6-0: Miss Belford beat Miss Sharkey, 6-3, 6-0: Miss Moore w.o.: R. Browne beat I. Mulhall, 6-0, 6-2: F. Kinahan, bye.

Boys under 15—J. Keyes beat P. Aylward, 6-0, 6-1: J. Kenealy beat M. O'Carroll, 6-4, 7-5: B. Shankey beat W. M. Moore, 6-0, 6-2: P. McCreary beat St. Griffin, 6-4, 6-4: Miss Belford beat Miss Griffin, bye: F. Kinahan w.o.: S. Kinahan beat M. Mulhall, 6-0, 6-4: G. Ferguson beat K. McGrath, 6-3, 6-2: M. Sargent beat B. Shankey, bye: Miss Cole beat B. Moore, 6-2, 6-1: R. Browne beat M. Aylward, 6-1, 6-1: M. Knox beat P. Mosse, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4.

DANTE'S NEXT RACE?

Dante may have a race in public before he contests the St. Leger at York in September. Such a contest would be in with the Cork preparation for the final classic.

The Redcar event is for three-year-olds, over a mile and a half, and Dante's weight will be only 8st. Lowest weight is 7st. 7lb.

Sir Eric Ohlson, the owner of Dante, has asked the Press Association to deny that he has made any statement that he has been offered what he describes as the fantastic sum of £200,000 for his Derby winner.

YACHTING OFF

Last evening's Water Wags crews' race at Dun Laoghaire was called off. Re-sail Tuesday next. First gun, 6.55 p.m.

OLD SOLDIERS NEVER DIE

IN an exhibition match in Paris last Saturday, Henri Cochet, the famous French tennis player, who is 44 years of age, beat O. W. Sidwell, of the Australian Air Force, 6-3, 6-2. Sidwell is regarded as the best player in England at the present time. Cochet was number one singles player in France when the latter country beat Ireland in the Davis Cup in 1923.

TO-DAY'S SPORTS DIARY

Golf—Ulster Professional Championships, Clandeboye. Barton Cup final replay—Castle v. Consul, Millbrook.

Cricket.—Senior League — Phoenix v. Merrion, Phoenix Park, 6.0. Mr. Dutton's XI. v. St. Columba's College, Rathfarnham, 2.30.

Swimming—Leinster Branch Gala, Blackrock Baths, 6.45.

Greyhound Racing—Mosney Golf and Co. Harold's Cross, 1.0.

Greyhound Racing—Shelbourne Park, 7.45.

Rowing—Boyne Regatta.

Athletics—All-Ireland Youths' Champion ships (N.A.C.A.), Cork.

Woodcock's Sixth Round K.O.

BRUCE WOODCOCK (Doncaster) won the British heavy-weight title last night at Tottenham Football Ground, by knocking-out the holder, Jack London, in the sixth round.

Both London and Woodcock had a tremendous ovation from the crowd, officially stated to be 38,000, when they entered the ring. London, with his great weight advantage, immediately bore in and caught Woodcock with a right to the head.

Woodcock, with his chin tucked well into his shoulder, beated cleverly during the next two rounds, but he could not prevent London from reaching the body with some hard right swings. London was obviously using his weight in the clinches, and in the third round he sent over a hard right, which just failed to connect.

SHATTERED WITH BLOOD

Woodcock missed a fine opportunity at the beginning of the fourth, when momentarily he had London off guard. He swung a right, and missed by inches. Shortly afterwards he drove in two hard rights to the head, but London, seemingly made of iron, sustained them. London in the next round was the first to draw blood, a left swing marking Woodcock's nose bleed.

Soon the Doncaster boy's face and body was besmattered with blood. London crowded on the pressure in this round, and began to beat Woodcock to the punch.

When the sixth round began there was no indication that the fight would soon be a memorable end. London was drawing to him and then countering with heavy rights, but Woodcock stood up to the punishment. Woodcock caught London with a beautiful right cross, which sent the champion half-way through the human ropes.

On rising, London was again staken with another right to the jaw, and, Woodcock seizing his opportunity, put London down with a further right. London, dazed, was on one knee, and did not appear to pick up the count from the referee, but failing to regain his feet as "Out" was called. Woodcock had a tremendous ovation from the crowd.

Tom Smith, of Sunderland, who once fought Nel Tarleton for the feather-weight title, made a successful reappearance in the ring after a long absence by defeating Dave Crowley (Clerkenwell) on points in a 8st. 4lb. weight contest over eight rounds.

After having his left cheek cut in the first round and then going down for a count in the next, Henry Hall (Sheffield) fought back in such great style that he beat Eric Boon (Chatteris), former British light-weight champion, at the end of the fourth round in their welter-weight fight, the referee stopping the fight.

Jock McAvoy (Rochdale) k.o. George Howard (Finsbury Park) in the third round.

Wicklow Player Wins

THE annual outing of the Motor, Cycle and Allied Trades G.A. concluded at Newlands yesterday, when the C. E. Jacob Cup was won by the Wicklow player, J. G. Byrne, with one up. His clubmate, J. Toner, and J. P. Cummins (Royal Dublin), tied for second prize, with one down, but on the last three holes Byrne won. Sixty-four took out cards.

At the annual meeting the Hon. Treasurer's statement showed the position of the Association to be very sound financially. Officers were elected as follow:—President, Mr. A. McDonogh (Limerick); vice-president, Mr. M. Keaney, Drogheda; hon. secretary, Mr. W. Canavan; hon. treasurer, Mr. C. O'Shea. Committee—Messrs. D. McCall, T. Mooney, J. Flanagan, V. Hamilton, S. Goodwin, T. J. Cullen, J. Quinn, P. Flood, W. Wynne, S. L. Hutchinson, D. McCall, T. Mooney.

The C. E. Jacob Cup—J. G. Byrne (Co. Wicklow) (rec 8), 1 up; J. Toner (Co. Wicklow) (rec 10) (second on last 3), J. P. Cummins (Royal Dublin) (rec. 3), 1 down; A. McDonogh (Limerick) (rec. 3), D. J. Dunne (Royal Dublin) (rec. 10), H. O. Stanley (Royal Dublin) (rec. 4), L. Downes (Hermitage) (rec. 10), 2 down; Kelly (Clontarf) (rec 8), F. R. Ludlow (Newlands) (rec. 12), G. Guilfoyle (Newlands) (rec. 6), 3 down.

Cheshire Manufacturers' Cup (at Castle)—9 N. Bell (15), 69; W. G. Robbie (6), 73. Best gross, H. J. Fitzpatrick, 78; sealed holes, T. P. Murphy, 36.

Elm Park (Ladies' Branch) — Semi-open Scotch foursomes—Mrs. Duffy (13) and Miss Ryan (31) (Hermitage), 66; Mrs. Boland (31) and Mrs. O'Grady (31) (Milltown), 66. Tomorrow—Lady secretary's prize (bisque), Mrs Nugent; usual draws.

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HOCKEY-STICKS SHORTAGE

Hockey players will be facing a serious situation next winter if sports manufacturers have revealed the fact that there is no cane available for handles, and, therefore, no new sticks can be made. Old sticks can, however, be re-handled, but it is a slow process, and club secretaries should at once collect from their members all the sound handles they can get and hand them over to sports outfitters. The latest date on which handles can be received by the manufacturers is July 31st.

GALWAY RACE COMMITTEE

The following have been elected members of Galway Race Committee:—Mr. H. MacDermot, solicitor, Galway; Mr. G. D. Naughton, President of Galway Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Michael O'Flaherty, T.D., P.C., Chairman of Galway City Vocational Education Committee, Vice-Chairman of Galway Harbour Board, and a director of Galway Cinemas, Ltd.

DALY HEADS THE QUALIFIERS

FRED DALY (Balmoral), holder of the Ulster Professional Golf Championship, headed the list of qualifiers of this year's title event at Clandeboye Course.

There were 19 competitors for the eight qualifying places. The draw for the match play is:—

Clarke v. Patterson;
Sawey v. Fairweather;
McLachlan v. McCartney;
Robertson v. Daly.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

Rathfarnham. — Ladies—Medal—A—Miss Brooks (7), 72. B—Miss B. Van Homrigh (36), 76. Tuesday—Mrs. Fraser's prize, eclectic, arranged opponents. Friday, 20th—Mrs. McAteer's prize, flag.

Ballybunion — open week.—Club Cup (Stableford), bogey—A. H. Rice, Tralee (2), 41 points; P. J. Allen, Ballybunion (3), 38; M. E. O'Hanlon, Listowel (8), 37. Ladies, open week—Mrs. P. Shanahan (32), 70; Mrs. J. Ryan (36), 78.

Corballis (Ladies)—Captain's (Mrs. Barry Walsh) prize—Mrs. Donnelly (30), 71; Mrs. A. Wilson (30), 76 on second card; Mrs. McMurray (36), 76. Saturday — Mrs. W Wallace's prize.

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GOLF PROS. OPEN THEIR OWN CLUB

THE first club to be opened by professional golfers has just been established at Dunmin Isles, Florida, by the Professional Golfers' Association of America. Known as the P.G.A. National Golf Club, it was formally taken over by the Association on a 99-year lease from the City of Dunedin on July 1st.

The course, where the American professionals played their senior tournament last January, is said to be one of the best designed by Donald Ross. At present it is 6,320 yards long, but each hole can be lengthened about 25 yards, which provides a championship course of about 7,000 yards. It is planned that the Dunedin course will become a centre for national and international tournaments.

Housing facilities are to be provided near the course for retired members of the P.G.A., and arrangements are also being made to provide rehabilitation facilities for professional golfers now serving with the Am rican armed forces.

Amateurs are to be permitted to join the club, but only on the invitation of professionals.

GOLF DRAW.

Pairings for the Golfing Union of Ireland professional tournament at Woodbrook tomorrow are:—J. O'Neill and T. O'Connor; M. McCurtz and W. Kinsella; T. Cunningham and S. Bradley; R. Hanlon and Bradshaw, jun.; J. O'Connor and T. Shannon; H. Murphy and R. Ferguson; W. Holley and C. Francis; T. Bradshaw and C. O'Neill; T. Mahoney and J. Dussan; A. Whiston and N. Wilson; C. Kane and P. Gaffney; J. Gaffney, jun., and B. Smith; P. Bradshaw and J. Gaffney; P. O'Neill and F. Barrett; W. Sullivan and A. Macken. First pair start at 11 a.m. and 2.30 p.m., five-minute intervals.

COMPANY NEWS

Coss. The Smeltzers.—Dividend of 2½ p.c. for the year (against nil).

Williams and Williams.—Dividend of 15 p.c. for the year (same).

OTHER EXCHANGES

MANCHESTER.—Bleachers 14/11½, Bradford Dyers 25/-, "Stubbers" 7/4½, Calico Printers 19/6, Coats 23/-, Courtaulds 55/9, Fine Cotton 31/-, Sewing Cotton 38/6, Velvet 15/11½, Fine Spinners 25/-, Henry Simon 28/3, Collieries 13/3, Turner and Newall 82/6. Wall Paper Debd. 43/6.

BIRMINGHAM.—Fodens 31/9, Simms 11/6, Clifford 11/9, Alvis 7/-, Austin A 36/10½, Dennis 31/-, Dunlop 20/3, Enfield 20/-, Ford 3/3, Guy 4/1½, Humber 21/9, Lea Francis 3/-, Leyland 88/-, Morris 45/-, Raleigh 85/-, Rolls 106/3, Standard 36/6, Triplex 41/6, Tube Invest. 110/6.

The building of two new passenger ships at the cost of over £4,000,000 to replace the Warwick Castle and the Windsor Castle is being considered by the Union Castle Mail Steamship Company. Deputy Chairman, Sir Ernest Harvey, reported at the annual meeting of the company yesterday.

EXCHEQUER RETURNS

Total revenue of Eire for the period April 1st, 1945, to July 14th, 1945, was £12,770,888, against £12,256,476 for the corresponding period last year. Total expenditure was £11,813,305, compared with £10,657,313. The balance in the Exchequer on July 14th, 1945, was £2,413,641, compared with £10,806,593 a year earlier and £1,164,306 in April 1st this year.

Total ordinary British revenue increased last week from £51,376,585 in the preceding seven days to £57,162,871, while expenditure dropped from £114,230,227 to £99,664,879.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

Consols 2½% ...	63½	63⅞	2½% Conversion	106⅜	106⅝	−⅛
Do. 4% ...	77	77	Do. Conversion	103¼	103¼	
3½% War Loan ...	103⅛	103⅜	3½% Land ...	92	94	
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Funding Loan ...	118⅛	118⅜	Local Loans ...	98½	98⅝	
Victory Bonds ...	114⅞	114⅝	Nat. Def. 2½% ...	101	101⅛	

BONDS—RAILS—BANKS			INDUSTRIALS (Cont.)			MINES		
Brazil 2% Yr. A	62½		Consor Ord.	41/6	+/6	Ang.-Amer. Inv.	47/3	−/3
Do. 40-Yr. B.	77		Dorr. Wm.	94/3	+/3	Ashanti ...	88/0	−/3
Great Western ...	66½		Dunlop Rub.	84		Bibiani ...	30/0	−/3
L.M.S. Deb. ...	66½	+½	Durand ...	24/7½		Champion ...	7/1½	−⅛
Do. 4% Pref. ...	77¾	+½	Courtaulds ...	55/9	−/3	Brakpan ...	7/1½	
Do. 5% Rd. Pf.	103⅝		Carreras B ...	19/7½		Chartered ...	28/9	
Do. 5% Pref. ...	96		De La Rue ...	120/6	−1/3	Cons. Diamond	21/6	−/3
L.N.E. Pf. Ord.	74		Dorman Long ...	28/4½		Cons. Mines ...	21/6	
Do. Def. ...	9½		Dunlop ...	50 9		Cons. Gold F.	8¾	
Do. 1st Pref.	84½		Distillers ...	117/6		Crown ...	7/7½	
Do. 2nd Pref.	79½	+¼	Ellis & Mtge. ...	34/9		Daggafontein ...	7/7½	
Do. Def. ...	26		Eng. Sew. Cot.	88/0		De Beers ...	19½	−⅛
Do. 4% Gt. W.	55		English Electric	36/9		East Dagga ...	8½	
Do. Def. ...	110		Fisher & Sandy	41/6		Geduld ...	8/3	
Do. 4% Deb. ...			Ford ...	41/9	−/3	E. Rand Prop. ...	9¾	−1/32
Do. Def. ...			Fine Spinners ...	26/0		Govt. Areas ...	2/3	
L.N.W. 4% Deb.	69	−½	Guinness ...	149/3		Rhod. Anglo ...	8/3	
Do. 4% Deb.	69	−½	Godfrey Phillips	39/0		Langlaagte ...	11/6	
B.A. & Pacific ...	77		General Electric	88/0		Libanon ...	31/3	−/3
4% Deb. ...			Hoover ...	84/6		Luipaard's Vl.	4/3	+/3
Do. Con. 4½%	68½		Imperial Chem.	41/1½	+/1½	Marievale ...	34/0	
B.A. & Western	11⅜	−¼	Int. Tobacco ...	67/7½	−/1½	New Cent. West	11/4½	−/1½
Do. Def. ...	11⅜	−¼	Imperial Tobacco	74/0		Rand Mines ...	19/6	
Canadian Pacific	80¾	−¼	Jurgens ...	31/3	+/6	Rhod. Ang. A

No Change in the Petrol Position

MR. LEMASS told Mr. John Beirne (Farmers), in the Dáil yesterday, that the present petrol supply position did not permit of the withdrawal of restrictions on the use of hackney vehicles for conveying passengers to sports fixtures. It was not proposed to modify these restrictions at present. There was no change in the petrol supply position as between now and this time last year.

Greyhound Exports.—Replying to Mr. W. F. O'Donnell (Farmers), Mr. LEMASS said that the declared value of greyhounds exported during the years 1941-1944 were:—1941, £7,662; 1942, £130,004; 1943, £71,828; 1944, £435,685.

Cork Street Hospital.—In answer to Mr. H. M. Dockrell (F.G.), Dr. MYRD, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, said that for the immediate future the Dublin Fever Hospital would be administered by a Commissioner.

Planes Over Dublin.—The low-flying aircraft which appeared over Dublin in the evening of July 1st and on the afternoon of July 5th were identified as American, Mr. DE VALERA, Minister for External Affairs, told Mr. O Flanagan (Ind.). The latter, he said, had been brought to the notice of the American authorities, and there had been no further cause for complaint.

Timber Supplies.—Replying to Mr. William Norton (Lab.), Mr. LEMASS, Minister for Supplies, said that negotiations for the purchase and import of timber for housing purposes were in progress. He was not, however, in a position, at present, to indicate what the outcome of these negotiations might be.

New Company Law Recommendations

Reforms in company law, designed to give shareholders more information and wider powers, and impose stronger checks on directors, prospectuses and accountants, are urged by the Cohen Committee in their report, issued yesterday.

The major recommendations include:—

Fullest possible disclosure of information, including (except for banks) hidden reserves, longer notices of meetings, greater power to remove directors, the right to have shareholders' statements circulated, and the right to appoint a non-shareholder as proxy.

The Committee also recommend heavier penalties for untrue or misleading prospectuses: a director to be liable to pay compensation unless he can show that he relied on an expert for a false statement; nominee shareholders to disclose themselves, but not the name of the next owner; beneficial interests of 5 per cent. or more of the issued capital to disclose themselves; powers for the Board of Trade to ascertain and controls a company; private companies (except small family businesses) to file their accounts; subsidiary companies' accounts to be shown with the holding company's, and a suggested reduction of the age of 70 for directors.

The Committee, which has worked for two years under the chairmanship of Mr. Justice Cohen, considers that the fullest possible disclosure of information will lessen the opportunities for abuse. They recommend that the Board of Trade should be empowered to appoint an inspector with wide powers of investigation, and that penalties of fine and imprisonment be incurred for failure to disclose any information demanded.

TRAVELLER'S DEFENCE IN CANVAS CASE .

At the Circuit Criminal Court, Dublin, yesterday, before Judge Hanahy and a jury, the hearing was adjourned of the case in which Michael Taylor (41), traveller, Westmeath Row, is accused of the larceny of pieces of canvas in 1943, the property of Mrs. Phyllis Smullen, and of receiving and being in illegal possession of some of the canvas.

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ROINN COSANTA.
(Department of Defence.)
GAME SHOOTING TO LET.
AT GLEN IMAAL (CO. WICKLOW).

The Minister for Defence is prepared to receive Tenders for the Letting of the Shooting Rights over the Department's Lands at Glen Imaal, Co. Wicklow, for the SEASON ENDING 28th FEBRUARY, 1946.

The Letting provides good rough shooting (including mountain) over about 5,000 acres, but does not include the right to kill Rabbits. The lands are preserved, and are in the care of the Department's chief herd.

The Letting will be made subject to the conditions set out in the usual form of agreement.

The Minister does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

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THE SECRETARY,
Department of Defence (S.2)
Parkgate, Dublin, N.W.5.

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COIMISIUN NA STAT-SHEIRBHISE.
POSITION VACANT
ASSISTANT ENGINEER IN THE FISHERIES BRANCH, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Application forms for and particulars of the above-named post may be obtained from the Secretary of the Commission, 45 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin. SALARY SCALE: £300-£15-£500 a year plus bonus. MAXIMUM AGE LIMIT: 35 years on the 1st July, 1945, except in the case of persons with certain specified services in the Defence Forces or such Auxiliary Defence Services as may be determined. ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS: (a) a recognised University Degree in Engineering or equivalent academic qualification and (b) at least 5 years' satisfactory post-graduate experience of Civil Engineering work.

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COIMISINEIRI NA SOIBREACHA POIBLIDHE
(Commissioners of Public Works).
SALE OF 2 PRODUCER FURNACES.

Sealed tenders, addressed to the Secretary, will be received up to, but later than 12 o'clock, noon, on the 8th August, 1945, for the Purchase and Removal of 2 Wolstenholm Down Draught type Producer Furnaces (Turf Fuel) which may be inspected at Kildare Military Barracks. Further particulars may be had on application to this office.

The Commissioners will not be bound to accept the highest or any tender.

T. J. MORRIS, Runai (Secretary).
Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblidhe (Office of Public Works),
Baile Atha Cliath (Dublin).
16th July, 1945.

LEGAL NOTICES

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
GEORGINA ANNIE HUNT, late of Belmore, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, Spinster, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the above-named deceased, who died on the 4th day of January, 1945, are hereby required on or before the 18th day of August, 1945, to furnish particulars of such claims and demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executrix, to whom Probate was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry, High Court of Justice, Eire, on the 26th day of June, 1945. And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 18th day of August, 1945, the Executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands particulars of which shall have been given as before required.

Dated this 16th day of July, 1945.
THOMAS CROZIER & SON, Solicitors for the Executrix, 14, Ely place, Dublin.

MONEYLENDERS ACT, 1933.
NOTICE that REGINALD MITOFSKY intends to Apply at the Metropolitan District Court, No. 1, Inns Quay, Dublin, on Thursday, 26th day of July, 1945, at 2 p.m., for a Certificate authorising him to carry on business as a Moneylender at 5 Mayfield road, Fairview, Dublin, under the name of "REGINALD MITOFSKY."

S. G. RUTHERFORD, Solicitor for the Applicant, 23 Butcher's Walk, Dublin.

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THEATRES, CINEMAS AND PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS

GAIETY NIGHTLY AT 7.30. MATINEE SAT. 2.30
BREFNI O'RORKE, RIA MOONEY, MAUREEN DELANY, CYRIL CUSACK in
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Nightly at 7.30. Matinee Sat., 2.30 p.m.
RETAINED 3rd WEEK.

METROPOLE 2.25, 4.40, 7 o'c., 9.15.
ELEANOR POWELL, W. C. FIELDS.
"SENSATIONS OF 1945."

CORINTHIAN 2.35—4.50, 7.05—9.20.
Richard Arlen and Jane Frazee,
"THE BIG BONANZA."
Jane Withers and Paul Kelly,
"FACES IN THE FOG."

DE LUXE At 3.45, 6.0, 8.17.
Alexander Geraldine, Vincent KNOX. FITZGERALD PRICE
"WILSON."

ASTORIA DUN LAOGHAIRE.
At 4.40, 6.35, 9.15.
"DESERT VICTORY."
Eng. Blore in "Penthouse Rhythm."
Thurs.: "THAT UNCERTAIN FEELING."

GRAND CENTRAL Cont. 2.30.
3rd WEEK.
"WAKE ISLAND."
At 3.5, 5.5, 7.5, 9 o'c.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD.
APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL MANAGER OF THE PORT OF DUBLIN.

The Dublin Port and Docks Board, who are the Port Authority for Dublin, Ireland, desire to make an appointment of a suitable person to the position of General Manager of the Port, as defined by the Private Acts of the Board, and have requested the Local Appointments Commissioners to select, on behalf of the Board and to recommend to the Board, the candidate who is in the opinion of the Commissioners most fitted for the appointment.

SALARY SCALE.—Commencing £2,000 per annum, increasing by annual increments of £100 to a maximum of £2,500 per annum.

Each candidate must have attained the age of 30 years on or before 1st January, 1945. It is desirable that candidates should not be more than 45 years of age, but applicants over that age will be considered.

Candidates must be well educated and must have experience of administration and organisation and of the conduct of negotiations, and have a high standard of administrative ability, and have a satisfactory knowledge of public administration and finance.

Application forms for and particulars of the above-named position may be obtained from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commission, 45 Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin.

LATEST DATE FOR RECEIVING COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS, 4th DECEMBER, 1945.

COIMISIUN NA STAT-SHEIRBHISE.
POSITIONS VACANT.
MEDICAL INSPECTORS (4) IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH.

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"THE FIGHTING LADY."
Also: "FOUR JILLS AND A JEEP."

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"THE IMPATIENT YEARS."
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GREER GARSON, WALTER PIDGEON
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Thurs.: "Hai The Conquering Hero."

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ABBOTT and COSTELLO,
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Extra: "OKLAHOMA RAIDERS."
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PUBLIC NOTICES

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE SECTION.
RATHDRUM DISPENSARY DISTRICT.
APPOINTMENT OF MEDICAL OFFICER AND MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

Applications are invited for the appointment to the above-mentioned Dispensary District, in accordance with Section 5 (1) of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926.

The Wicklow County Manager invites applications from persons duly registered as Medical Officers of Local Authorities, the duties of whose office relate, or have related, to the duties of a Dispensary Medical Officer, for the position of Medical Officer and Medical Officer of Health of Rathdrum Dispensary District. The annualised salary attaching to the position shall be at the rate of £250 a year, increasing by £10 annually to £350 a year, together with £40 a year as Medical Officer of Health, on condition that the person appointed carries out, in addition to the duties prescribed in Article 15 of the Local Government Board Sanitary Order No. 1, of 3rd May, 1926, and in Article 4 of the Vaccination Regulations, 1942, the following duties, without extra remuneration, viz.:—

(a) Immunisation duties (other than vaccination against smallpox).
(b) Domiciliary treatment of cases of tuberculosis assigned to him by the County Medical Officer of Health.
(c) Duties which may be necessary in connection with the making of housing surveys under the Labourers Acts and Orders.
(d) Treatment of minor ailments in children referred to him under an approved School Medical Service Scheme by the County Medical Officer of Health.

Applications, setting out detailed particulars regarding:—

(1) Qualifications, with dates;
(2) Experience, post-graduate and practical;
(3) Nature of present office or office in respect of which pension is being drawn, with name of Local Authority or Authorities in question;
(4) Length of service in present position or in position from which pension resulted;
(5) Date of birth;

should reach the undersigned not later than Saturday, 4th August, 1945.

THOMAS BYRNE, Chief Officer.
Boardroom, Rathdrum.
16th July, 1945.

WESTPORT URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
WESTPORT MAIN DRAINAGE.
NOTICE TO PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTORS.

Tenders are invited from experienced Public Works Contractors for the construction of 9", 12" and 15" diameter Sewers, and other works incidental thereto, in the town of Westport, Co. Mayo, in accordance with the Plans and Specification prepared by Mr. T. J. O'Connor, B.Sc., B.E., M.I.C.E., Commercial Buildings, Dame street, Dublin, Consulting Engineer to the Council.

Plans and Specification may be inspected at the office of the Town Clerk, Westport, or at the offices of the Consulting Engineer, during the usual office hours.

Copies of the Plans, Specification, Bill of Quantities and Tender Form may be obtained from the Consulting Engineer on payment of a deposit of £5 5s. 0d., returnable on receipt of a bona-fide Tender, not subsequently withdrawn, and the return of the contract documents.

Tenders, with accompanying Quantities, priced and extended in ink, shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope, endorsed "Westport Main Drainage," and delivered to the undersigned not later than 12 o'clock noon on the 16th day of August, 1945.

The recruitment of labour shall be strictly in accordance with the provisions of Memorandum D.S.F. 40/41, issued by the Department of Local Government and Public Health.

The Council do not bind themselves to acceptance of the lowest or any Tender, and any Tender accepted will be subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

R. G. BROWNE, Town Clerk.
Date: 9th July, 1945.
Town Clerk's Office, Westport.

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL.
BOTLEYS PARK COLONY (INCLUDING MURRAY HOUSE ANNEXE), CHERTSEY.

Applications are invited for the following appointments at this modern Mental Deficiency Institution:—

STUDENT NURSES—Must be over 16 years of age.

STAFF NURSES — Must hold R.M.P.A. or R.N.S.

Salary and conditions of service governed by appropriate Report of Rushcliffe Committee.

The appointments are subject to the provisions of the Asylum and Certified Institutions (Officers' Pensions) Acts, 1918, and candidates have to undergo a medical examination.

Application forms and further details can be obtained from Matron, Botleys Park Chertsey, Surrey.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN.
JUTE SACKS FOR SALE.

Tenders are invited for the Purchase of 65,000 (approximately) unused Jute Sacks measuring 32½" x 14½". Further particulars and authority to inspect the sacks, in Corporation yard, may be obtained from the City Engineer, 22 Castle street, Dublin, to whom Tenders, endorsed "Tenders for Sacks" to be addressed to the City Manager and Town Clerk, City Hall, Dublin, and must be delivered not later than 12 noon on Saturday, 28th July, 1945.

J. J. HERNON,
City Manager and Town Clerk.
City Hall, 17th July, 1945.

CITY AND COUNTY HOSPITAL, LONDONDERRY.
HOUSE SURGEON REQUIRED
£100 p.a. Usual requisites.
Apply to Resident Surgeon.

The Irish Times
WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 1945.

PHANTOM REPUBLIC

There is something ironic in the fact that Mr. de Valera's eagerly awaited statement on the Irish Republic should have synchronised with the arrival of the King and Queen in Belfast. The crowds that packed the public gallery in Dail Eireann last evening were disappointed, because the Taoiseach's speech produced an anti-climax. Last week Mr. de Valera, who is a mathematician of some eminence, had been attending a colloquium under the auspices of the Institute of Advanced Studies in Dublin, and his mind evidently had not fully adjusted itself from the rarified intricacies of the space-time continuum to the more commonplace atmosphere of mundane affairs. His statement to the Dail leaves matters precisely where they were—or where they were not. His attempted definition of the Republic in being was as elusive as a definition of the square root of minus one; and those who went to Leinster House in search of a national, if not an international, "sensation" went empty away. This country's constitutional position has not changed by one iota since 1937. "The State," announced Mr. de Valera, "is what it is, not what I say, or think, it is." This remark probably was the most important passage of a long, and thoroughly woolly, effort to reconcile the Taoiseach's *obiter dictum* last week with actual facts. It will be recalled that, apparently stung by the insistent jibing of Mr. James Dillon, who revels in the *rôle* of the Socratic gadfly, Mr. de Valera suddenly announced that Eire was a Republic, thereby creating an immediate storm not alone in the British, but also in the Dominion and American, Press. It was only a storm in a teacup. No Republic has been declared. No Republic is likely to be declared; and the chimæra which Mr. de Valera has been fleeing up the hills and down the dales for the last twenty-five years is as fanciful as ever it was. The Taoiseach was impeccably logical; that is why he so often is wrong. His famous visit to the German Minister on the occasion of Hitler's reputed death was absolutely correct, yet it was one of the biggest political blunders of modern times. In the Dail yesterday he invoked the unimpeachable authority of volumes ranging in importance from the *Encyclopædia Britannica* to the latest edition of the New Oxford Dictionary to prove that the State of Eire enjoyed all the rights, privileges and advantages of an independent Republic. "Who deniges of it, Betsy?" Of course, the twenty-six counties are as free as air—otherwise they would not have been allowed to remain neutral for twenty-four hours during the war. Yet we can think of no more glaring example of diplomatic *gaucherie* than the Taoiseach's bland announcement: "We are a Republic."

Mr. de Valera essayed answers to two questions that had been posed by Mr. Dillon. The first was easy. By definition, a Republic is a State that has certain rights. This State has those rights; therefore, it is a Republic! The Taoiseach admitted that the second question was more difficult. Mr. Dillon wanted to know—and his thirst for knowledge on this point is shared by a surprisingly large number of Irish citizens—whether or not Eire still is a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations. To this query Mr. de Valera gave no positive answer. Since the days when he pleaded for release from the "strait-jacket of the Republic," he has been making valiant, but unavailing, efforts to square this constitutional circle. The process began with the notorious "Document No. 2"; and apparently it has not ended yet. Yesterday he explained that Eire was an independent Republic, associated for certain purposes of external affairs with Great Britain and the Dominions. In fact, that broadly is the position. The difficulty is, however, that a nation, like an individual, can have the worst, as well as the best, of both worlds; and, so far as we can see, Ireland is running the serious risk that she may find herself in the former position. Mr. de Valera said that the arrangement with the British Commonwealth was "unique." So it is. The essential elasticity of the British system lends itself to all sorts of apparent anomalies; and its whole success depends in large measure on the fact that the member States of the Commonwealth concentrate on points of agreement and try to forget or to ignore divergencies. Surely the time has come when Eire should declare herself openly and bravely, as General Mulcahy suggested last evening. Let us get rid of hair-splitting and logic-chopping, and either take our rightful place among the members of the British community of free nations—every one of which is every bit as much, or as little, a Republic as Eire—or be honest about it and secede, as we have an absolute right to do under the Statute of Westminster. As matters stand at present, this country is in a humiliating position. It is neither flesh nor fowl; and even Mr. de Valera has not been able to establish its international status as a red herring! From every point of view, the Taoiseach's original statement was unhappy, and last evening's performance will not improve matters. From the point of view of Ireland's ultimate unity it was calamitous. The fact that it was made on the eve of the "Twelfth of July" gave the enemies of unity just the chance for which they yearned. Mr. de Valera professes to long for the abolition of the border. Will he never even begin to understand the feelings and the loyalties of the people of the North?

The Northern Invasion

The weather certainly has not been very kind this year to the annual migrants from Northern Ireland. The Twelfth of July, their traditional day of celebration, was hot and sunny enough, but it was followed by thunderstorms and cloudbursts, as if the faint echoes of this year's drum-beating had provoked the gods into angry retaliation. Through the week-end, no doubt, the twenty thousand Northern visitors who have come to Dublin and its environs sat in the windows of their boarding-houses and stared gloomily at the rain. Certain pleasures were still open to them—there were the cinemas, there were pints of porter for eightpence, and there was, in spite of the meat strike, a fairly good stock of juicy steak. Nevertheless, one prefers to have these delights available than to be thrown upon them willy-nilly; and, however the adults may feel, the children would prefer a sunny hour on the beach to any number of pints of porter. The weather now shows signs of becoming rather more favourable, and it is hoped that the remainder of their holidays will be such as to send these visitors away with the happiest memories. The Dubliner sometimes may feel a little disgruntled about the invasion of his native heath; he may feel sour when his cigarette shop is sold out three days earlier than usual, or when he cannot get near the counter of a confectioner's. Yet he must know, at bottom, that this familiar intercourse is the best possible thing for the people on both sides. Belfast and Dublin—the North and the South—have been estranged for too long, so that they begin to regard one another almost as foreign nations. Their political differences are far more likely to be resolved if they can meet in private life as friends.

Social and Personal

THE PRESIDENT received at Áras an Uachtaráin yesterday the Swiss Charge D'Affaires, Monsignor Charles J. Benziger; the Rev. R. Lee Cole, Chairman, Dublin District Methodist Church, and the Rev. John England, General Secretary, Methodist Home Mission Fund; Mr. James J. Davy and Mr. Michael King French, President and Vice-President of the Dublin Stock Exchange.

The new Spanish Minister, Señor Don Luis Olivares y Burgera, Count of Arpaza, will arrive in Dublin this afternoon on the Aer Lingus afternoon plane. Señor Olivares has been in the Foreign Office in Madrid for some time past. He succeeds Señor Don Juan Garcia Ontiveros y Laplana, who left Eire last month.

Sir John Austin, who spent last week at the Royal Hibernian Hotel, has left Dublin.

Major and Mrs. Whitefoord have arrived in Dublin from London.

Mrs. MacCarthy-Morrogh has arrived in Dublin from Rushbrooke, Co. Cork.

Major and Mrs. A. J. A. Pollock, of Kingscourt, Co. Cavan, are staying in Dublin at present.

The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place at 11.30 on Tuesday, July 24, at St. Paul's, Wilton place, Knightsbridge, between Richard, only son of the late Thomas Wallace, J.P., and Mrs. Davis, Richmond Lodge, Island Bridge, Dublin, and Lavander Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the late Major Marshall Humphreys and Mrs. Humphreys, late of Broomfield House, Co. Cork.

The marriage between Joseph P. Murphy, of Stradbally road, Portlaoighise, and Joan P. Symes, A.T.S., of London, will take place on Wednesday, 8th August, at St. Joseph's, Terenure, at 11 a.m.

Dr. P. Conlon has left Portfield road until August 6th.

Dr. James J. Craig has left 236 North Circular road and 85 Manor street until the middle of August.

Dr. James J. Molony has taken up residence at Annabella, Mallow.

Switzers are offering a miscellaneous collection of Ladies' Slacks, principally in Navy and Fancy Checks, at substantially reduced prices—35s. and 39s. 6d. They were formerly 44s. 3d. to 63s. (15 coupons).

Original paintings make excellent gifts. Choose at The Victor Waddington Galleries, 8 Sth. Anne street.

A "special" for personal shoppers from our Children's Dept.: Kiddies' "Rameses" pure wool vests, made by "Sunbeam Wolsey." Two styles: Sleeveless or short sleeve. Sizes 2, 3, 4. All one price, 3s. 11d.—Newells, Grafton st.

Want a bag or artistic bit of hand-made Irish jewellery that is different? . . . then visit Arts Ltd., beside the Gresham Hotel.

Chiropody and foot treatments—qualified chiropodist. Immediate relief—corns, bunions, callouses, fallen arches, etc.—Roches Chemists, Upper O'Connell street, Dublin.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle wear.—Dixon, Hempenstall, Grafton street. Only Axpel Lenses used.

Anne Cobbe for Eugene Wave.—107 Stephen's Green. Phone 52588.

Don't say "Curlers"—say "Ethel." Ethel Hair Curlers are best.

Slyne's Summer Sale—Two-piece in turquoise and petunia crêpe. 7½ gns.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton st.

Where fashionable women gather, there you will notice Clarks distinctive shoes: Stephens & Bourke.

Glass Dressing Table Tops from 30s.—Plate Glass Silicate Marble Co., off South King st. (near Grafton st.).

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery Accoutrement Dept. Price List.—[illegible] Nassau street, Dublin.

WEATHER FORECAST

Ireland—Fresh to strong S. to S.E. wind, with risk of gales locally. Fair at first, but rain spreading from S.E. Rather cool.

Further Outlook—Warm and thundery in the South; unsettled in the North.

Dixon Hempenstall, 111 Grafton st., Dublin—Thermometers.—(Advt.)

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	5.16	5.20
Sets	9.43	9.42
Lighting-up Time	10.43	10.42

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

Morning	4.59	5.48
Evening	7.28	8.39

AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning	Evening
Ballina	1.3	1.41
Bray	4.22	4.40
Cobh	4	1.37
Cork	—	12.36
Cork	11.37	12.23
Dundalk	4.31	4.49
Dundalk	4.31	4.49
Galway	—	12.43
Killibegs	11.24	11.46
Limerick	11.43	11.58

JOHNSTOWN CASTLE AND STUD BILLS PASSED

WHEN the Committee Stage of the Johnstown Castle Agricultural College Bill, 1945, was taken in the Dáil yesterday, Mr. J. HUGHES (F.G.) moved an amendment under which the College would be controlled by a Board of Directors rather than by one man. He suggested that one member of the Board he envisaged could represent the Minister, a second could be a person with an agricultural degree, representing agricultural science, and who could bring back to the Board the most modern ideas and new developments, and a third, could be a practical farmer who would be in contact with his fellow-farmers and who realised the problems and difficulties facing them. It was not wise to throw the complete responsibility on one man.

Mr. J. DILLON (Ind.) said that he would like to urge the Minister to accept the principle behind the amendment, but was not prepared to say that the College should be run by a committee.

Dr. RYAN, Minister for Agriculture, replying, said that he thought that if they succeeded in getting a principal, two or three housemasters, a director of research, with one or two working under him, and a director of agriculture, these men would be capable of managing the College. Johnstown was being started as a college like those at Athenry and Ballybaise, except that it would be a bigger institution and would do more work. If there was an argument for a Board of Governors at Johnstown, then there was at least as good an argument for a Board of Governors at the other colleges. It was suggested that it should exercise complete or partial control, but for the past three weeks Deputy Hughes and Deputy Dillon had been criticising him for having too much control. It had been alleged that he was anti-Catholic and was going against the Bishops because he wanted to appoint a Board to manage the National Stud.

The amendment was withdrawn and the Report and final stages were passed.

NATIONAL STUD

On the final stage of the National Stud Bill, 1945, Mr. J. HUGHES said that his party welcomed the setting up of a National Stud, but objected vigorously to the controlling body of the Stud not being responsible to the House.

There was grave danger, he said, of corrupt practices creeping in under such circumstances.

The bill was passed by 53 votes to 24.

DOCUMENTS BILL

On the Committee stage of the Documents (Restriction of Disclosure of Export) Bill, 1945, Mr. DILLON asked was any effort being made to get people who had valuable documents which they did not propose to export to offer them to the National Library for copying.

Mr. DERRIG, Minister for Education, said that such an appeal had been made, and the National Library were in touch with many private owners. As many documents were of a family and confidential nature the National Library was prepared to give an undertaking not to publish the document until the expiration of such time as the owner might stipulate.

The urgency for this bill, the Minister said, was that he had information that a valuable and unique collection of documents was in danger of being lost to the country.

The Committee stage was agreed, and the Report stage fixed for to-day.

The Local Government (Remission of Rates) Bill passed its Committee and remaining stages

FINANCE ESTIMATE

On the estimate for the Department of Finance, which was introduced by Mr. Aiken, Minister for Finance, GENERAL R. MULCAHY (F.G.) said that four months ago he had raised the the former Minister for Finance the effect on the cost of building, of the rates paid by public authorities to the banks for the loan of money, and the Minister had promised to look into the matter. Difficulty had been created for traders by the Taoiseach's statement that in getting in goods it was not a question of getting currency, but that the goods were not available. There were thousands of pounds' worth of goods on order in other countries, but they had got no information as to when the currency would be available.

Mr. W. NORTON (Lab.), referring to arbitration for settling disputes between the Civil Service and the Department of Finance, said that a board for this purpose was highly desirable. The Civil Service felt that they were not getting a fair deal.

Urging an increase in the pensions of Civil Servants, whose pensions, he said, were fixed when the cost-of-living index figure was as low as 55, Mr. NORTON said that their pensions were hopelessly inadequate today, when the index figure had risen to 192.

Progress was reported.

MAYO MAN CHARGED WITH MURDER

Stephen Murphy (29), farmer's son, Ballycorroon, Crossmolina, appeared again before District Justice Guy at Ballina yesterday charged with the murder, between June 17th and 25th, of Michael Joseph Loftus (84), only child of Joseph and Mrs. Loftus, Ballinlobaun, Crossmolina.

Superintendent Kilroy asked for a further remand in custody to Tuesday next or sooner.

Mr. W. S. Huggard, for the defence, asked the State Solicitor, Mr. A. V. G. Thornton, if it would be possible to go on with the case next week. The State Solicitor replied that it might then be possible to begin the taking of depositions and finish the case without any further remands.

FELL SIXTY FEET

Matthew Malone (22), single, 7 Brunswick place, off Pearse street, Dublin, was killed yesterday when he fell almost sixty feet from the gasometer on the South Wall. He had been engaged in painting the gasometer. The body was removed to Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital.

HEIR FOR KING PETER

The Queen of Yugo-Slavia gave birth to a son yesterday in London. "The Queen and the young Crown Prince are doing well," said a communiqué from the office of King Peter.—(P.A.)

CIVIL SERVICE HOURS DECISION

Civil servants must wait two years before their pre-war hours of attendance are restored to them. This is the decision of the Minister for Finance on representations made to them in the matter by representatives of the Civil Service Alliance. The emergency imposed an additional half-hour's attendance a day without pay on civil servants, and this was subject to review at the end of every six months.

The Service had reason to expect that when the war would end normal hours would be restored at once, but the Minister says that

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

Notices in this Column (which must be authenticated) are charged for at 3/- per line (minimum 3/-).

ROLL OF HONOUR

McCLOSKEY—James McCloskey, Dunsany, Co. Meath, H.L.I., killed in action, April 21, 1945, and buried in Solhau, Germany. "With everlasting honour." Sadly missed. R.I.P.

SIMMONDS—Malachy Simonds, F/Sergeant, R.A.F., Bomber Command, missing from operations over Reviany, France, July 18th, 1944, grandson of late William Daly, Dunsandle, Co. Galway.

SMITH—In loving memory of Sergeant Robert O. Smith, aged 25 years (Army name, Cissie), 1st and 3rd Battalions, Irish Guards, beloved eldest son of John and Ann Smith (*née* McCann, Malahide), 14 O'Sullivan avenue, Ballybough, Dublin, killed in action on April 2, 1945, and reported buried in Enschede, Holland. R.I.P. Sadly missed by his sorrowing mother, father, brothers and relatives. (Information gratefully received.)

BIRTH

LANG—June 29, 1945, at Prospect, Waterford, to Rosemary (*née* Jephson), wife of the Rev. D. P. Lang, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

JOYCE and PRENDERGAST—June 26, 1945, at the Abbey Church, Graignamanagh, with Nuptial Mass and Papal Blessing, by the Very Rev. T. Prendergast, P.P., St. Mullins, assisted by the Very Rev. P. Hayden, P.P.; the Rev. A. L. Doyle, the Rev. G. Bennett, the Rev. T. Donoghue, all of Graiguenamanagh; the Very Rev. A. O'Farrell, P.P., Rathvilly; the Rev. P. Lennon, D.D., the Rev. P. Maher, both of Carlow Colleges; John A. Joyce, only son of Thomas and Mrs. Joyce, Whitehall House, Graiguenamanagh, to Catherine (Kitty) Prendergast, only daughter of John and Mrs. Prendergast, main street, Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny.

KEATINGE and JEFFERSON—July 10, 1945, at St. Colman's Parish Church, Dunmurry, Co. Antrim, by the Rev. R. C. Ellis; Arthur James Keatinge, second son of the late Charles Keatinge and Mrs. Keatinge, 4 Villiers road, Rathgar, Dublin, to Armenella (Amy), second daughter of Charles and Mrs. Jefferson, of 2 Glenburn terrace, Dunmurry, Co. Antrim.

MacCABE and LITTON—June 13, 1945, at St. Kevin's, Harrington street, by Rev. Fr. Snyder, O.M.Cap., Rochestown College, Co. Cork (with Nuptial Mass and Papal Blessing); Philip, third son of the late John MacCabe and Mrs. Anne MacCabe, 135 Griffith avenue, Whitehall, to Sheila, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Litton, 15 Washington street, South Circular road.

NICHOLSON and MANSFIELD—July 4, 1945, at Rathdowney Church, by the Rev. Chancellor T. D. Stuart; Thomas W., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson, Knockdav, Johnstown, to Doreen E., eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield, Levally House, Rathdowney.

DEATHS

BURRISS—July 16, 1945, at Mountain View, Cloughjordan, Robert Burriss, M.R.C.V.S., youngest son of the late Arthur and Mrs. Burriss, Mountain View, Cloughjordan. Funeral to Templeharry to-day (Wednesday) at 2 p.m. (S.T.).

KENNY—July 17, 1945, at her residence, 50 Talbot street, Dublin, Frances Kenny, daughter of the late Laurence and Margaret Kenny. Deeply and deservedly regretted. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 o'clock from above address.

KERRIGAN—July 17, 1945, at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Mulhern, Allesbury road, Dublin, Charles J. Kerrigan, Belmore street, Enniskillen, beloved husband of Josephine Kerrigan. R.I.P. Remains will be removed by rail to St. Michael's Church, Enniskillen, arriving there, G.N.R., 6.58, to-day (Wednesday).

McINTOSH—At his residence, 56 Upper Drumcondra road, Douglas Angus George (Angus), dearly-loved husband of Florence Lucy McIntosh, only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McIntosh. Interment at Drumcondra Parish Churchyard, 10 a.m./ to-morrow (Thursday), 19th inst. Psalm 23.

MINION—July 16, 1945, in hospital, Elizabeth Jane, dearly-loved and loving wife of Richard Minion, Ballinteskin, Wicklow. "Thy will be done." Funeral leaves hospital to-day (Wednesday) at 12 noon for Rathnew Cemetery.

ROBINSON—July 14, 1945, at a Nursing Home, St. Austell, Jemima Kathleen, of Lorna Doone, Crantock, Newquay. Interred at Crantock Parish Churchyard.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this column will be found in Page 3.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

GRIFFIN—William P. Griffin, 2 Dunseverick road, Howth road, Clontarf, is grateful for the many Mass cards, wreaths, letters and telegrams of sympathy which he received following the death of his beloved wife, and begs acceptance of this acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM

BETHUNE, 12 Tivoli terrace, East—In loving memory of our dear son, Roy, called Home, 18th July, 1940. Peace, perfect peace.

DIXON—In loving memory of dear mother, Mary Matilda Dixon, who was called Home July 18th, 1944. Sadly missed by her loving family.

GILL—18th July, 1936. In loving memory of Mrs. John Gill.

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